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Which one of the following is a part of the Congo Basin? (a) Cameroon (b) Nigeria (c) South Sudan (d) Uganda Official key: A.

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Explanation**(a) Official key**

Cameroon. **Western Congo Basin**; rainforest drains to the **Congo** system.

(b)

Nigeria. **Niger basin** and Guinea coast, not the **Congo Basin** proper.

(c)

South Sudan. Nile (White Nile / Sudd), not **Congo**.

(d)

Uganda. Nile and East African lakes; only a sliver is **Congo**-facing.

Summary

Official key is (a) Cameroon. The **Congo Basin** is the catchment of the **Congo River** - DRC, **Congo**-Brazzaville, CAR, Gabon, Equatorial Guinea and Cameroon. Nigeria is Niger-Benue; South Sudan and Uganda sit on the Nile side.

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Congo Basin

World's second-largest tropical rainforest after the Amazon.

Congo River

Africa's largest-discharge river; outlet at the Atlantic.

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